

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application are respectfully requested.

Claims 1, 8-14, 16 and 17 are pending in this application. Claims 3-7, 15 and 18-20 have been cancelled. Remaining claims 1, 8-14, 16 and 17 are allowed.

The applicants respectfully traverse the rejection of claims 3-7, 15 and 18-20 under 35 USC 103(a) in view of Ohya et al (US 2003/0008113).

The cited reference does not make the presently claimed invention to be obvious.

However, please note that the rejected claims 3-7, 15 and 18-20 have been cancelled, as shown above, thus rendering this rejection to be moot.

With the cancellation of claims 3-7, 15 and 18-20, only allowed claims 1, 8-14, 16 and 17 remain pending in this application. The applicants accordingly submit that this application is in condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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